



GOVERNOR GRETCHEN WHITMER

INVESTING IN AFFORDABLE, ATTAINABLE, SUSTAINABLE HOUSING



Governor Whitmer is making critical investments so every Michigander has a safe, affordable place to call home.

Investing in attainable, affordable housing

- Released [Michigan's first Statewide Housing Plan](#), outlining goals and strategies to tackle the state's affordable and attainable housing crisis.
- [Signed](#) a bipartisan supplemental investing \$275 million to build and refurbish thousands of affordable housing units, revitalize communities, and address blight.
- [Secured](#) a sustainable funding source for the Housing and Community Development Fund, to meet affordable, attainable housing needs for working-class families.
- [Secured](#) a sustainable funding source for Revitalization and Placemaking Grants, used to make communities more attractive places to live and work by building housing.
- Made [historic investments](#) in the Building Michigan Together Plan to build and refurbish affordable housing units for working class families.
- Provided hundreds of millions in investment to the [Multi-Family Direct Lending Program](#), the [Low-Income Housing Tax Credit](#), and the Michigan State Housing Development Authority to support the development of over 3,500 new housing units.
- Signed [bipartisan bills](#) to alleviate the affordable housing shortage.
- Expanded the number of communities that can establish land bank fast track authorities, powerful economic development tools.
- Signed [Transformational Brownfield legislation](#) to power economic development and finance affordable housing in communities across Michigan.
- Signed an [executive order](#) to streamline housing funding, promote housing innovation, and help get dollars out the door faster.
- [Proposed](#) \$15 million to address workforce housing needs for the food and agriculture industries and \$10 million to support the acquisition, renovation, and resale of properties, while creating good-paying jobs and supporting apprentices.
- [Signed](#) an executive directive to review ways state government can speed up permitting on community revitalization, housing, manufacturing, clean energy, and water protection.

Helping families stay in their homes

- Signed the '[First-Time Home Buyer Savings](#)' bill to help families buy their first home.
- Helped thousands of families buy homes through the [Down Payment Assistance Program](#) and [MI Home Loan Mortgage Programs](#).
- Helped tens of thousands of families stay in their homes and prevent foreclosure with the funding from the [Michigan Homeowners Assistance Fund](#).
- Signed '[Pay as you stay](#),' to help Detroit homeowners struggling to pay property taxes.
- Signed [a bill](#) helping low-income homeowners get a 3-year property tax exemption.
- Distributed over \$16 million [Emergency Solutions Grants](#) to nonprofits across the state to help individuals experiencing housing insecurity and homelessness.
- Invested over \$1.1 billion in the [Emergency Rental Assistance](#) program to help over 185,000 renters avoid eviction and keep their utilities on.
- Signed executive orders and launched the [MI Mortgage Relief Partnership](#) to ensure that [tenants](#) and [homeowners](#) could remain in their homes during COVID-19.

Making housing more comfortable and sustainable

- Secured [\\$212 million](#) for home energy rebates and [proposed](#) \$75 million for home repairs and energy improvements, lowering costs.
- Invested [millions](#) in services to make homes more [comfortable](#) and [sustainable](#).
- [Invested](#) in [Michigan's green bank](#) and [residential clean energy improvements](#) to make homes more sustainable and lower family's utility bills.
- Awarded [Neighborhood Enhancement Program grants](#) to strengthen neighborhoods, provide amenities, and repair housing.
- Incentivized [low-income housing](#) developers to meet sustainability and energy efficiency commitments and shift construction of new units near essential amenities.